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COMMUNICATION METHOD AND SYSTEM

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Requirement for Election/Restrictions mailed on December 17, 2004.

Applicants hereby provisionally elect with traverse, to prosecute claims to the network Species I drawn to a ring network (shown in Figure 12); applicants elect Figure 3 as the transmitter subspecies; and elect subspecies B5 (shown in Figure 8) as the receiver subspecies.

The claims readable on the elected species and subspecies are claims 21 and 29 (ring network), claims 8-19 and 21 (transmitter) and claims 20 and 22-23 (receiver).

Reconsideration of the Requirement for Election/Restrictions is respectfully requested.



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